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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:
GRAÇA RAPOSO, et al.

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**For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
USING LACTADHERIN OR VARIANTS
THEREOF**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

Prior to the calculation of fees, please enter the following preliminary
amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 16

Please amend claims 1-9 and 11-14 as follows:

1. [AMENDED] A method of [The use of lactadherin or a variant thereof, for the preparation of a composition for] regulating [the] an immune response in a mammal, the method comprising administering to the mammal a lactadherin or a variant thereof.

2. [AMENDED] The [use according to] method of claim 1, wherein [for the inhibition of the] cross-priming of antigens is inhibited in the mammal.